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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Grant of Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) for crude oil and natural gas over an extent of 14.10 sq.km to 13.04.2017 and balance over an extent of 4.47 sq.km for the balance period i.e., upto 27.11.2028 under rule 5(1)(ii) of Petroleum & Natural Gas Rules, 1959 duly excluding an extent of 9.63 sq.km out of the total area of 14.10 sq.km, in favour of M/s ONGC Limited - Orders - Issued.

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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.33

Dated:04.07.2022
Read the following:

1. From the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Govt of India, Lr.F.No.O-12012/5/2010/ONG-II, dt.11.03.2010.
2. From the Director of Mines & Geology, AP, File No. 164610-11/R2-2/2016, Dt:27.03.2016
3. Govt.Memo.No. 4130/M.III(2)/2006, Dt:18.04.2016.
4. From M/s.ONGC Ltd., Lr.No.ONGC/RJY/ST/SPG/PML Orders 2, Dt: 27.08.2018.
5. From the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Govt. of India, F.No.O.12012/10/2016-ONG-II, Dt.02.06.2017.
6. G.O.Ms.No.3, Ind & Com (M.III) Dept., dt.09.01.2020.
7. From the Director of Mines & Geology, AP, e-file No:INC04-12024/1/2021-D-5, dt:17.08.2021.

ORDER:

In the Letter 1st read above, the Government of India conveyed the approval for Grant of Petroleum Mining Lease for Crude Oil and Natural Gas over an extent of 14.10 Sq.Km of 1B-KG On-land Achanta in West Godavari District in favour of M/s ONGC Limited for a period of 20 years from 28.11.2008 to 27.11.2028. Accordingly, M/s.ONGC Ltd has filed an application for the same. The ADM&G, Eluru through DDM&G, Kakinada, has concurred and recommended the said proposals.

2. In the Letter 2nd read above, the DM&G, AP., recommended and forwarded the proposals to the Government for grant of Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) in favour of M/s ONGC Limited.

3. In reply to the Govt memo 3rd read above, M/s.ONGC Ltd vide letter 4th read above, has submitted EC issued by MoEF, Govt of India vide F.No.J-11011/68/2011-IAI(1), Dt:23.03.2015. M/s ONGC Ltd., has not applied for CFE/CFO as per the Environment Impact Assessment Notification -1994 which specifies that "if any item falling under Exploration for Oil and Gas and their production, transportation and storage, if the investment is less than Rs.100

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Crores for new projects and less than Rs.50 Crores for Expansion / Modernization projects, No EC was required. M/s. ONGC Ltd vide letter Dated 17.11.2020 informed that the wells were drilled before MoEFCC-EIA-2006 Notification. As per MoEFCC EIA-1994 Notification, Environmental Clearance (EC) was not required. Hence CFE CFO was not taken prior to 2006 and hence not submitted along with the Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) applications. Further the same was explained by M/s ONGC in the virtual meeting held on 09.11.2020 along with DGH and other applicants. Finally, M/s. ONGC Ltd requested to issue Grant order for PML over the said area in favour of them.

4. Later, in the Letter 5th read above, the GoI, has approved transfer and grant of Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) over an extent of 9.63 sq.km out of total area of 14.10 sq.km in Achanta held by M/s ONGC to M/s PFH Oil and Gas Pvt. Ltd., for contract area "KG/ONDSF/Achanta/2016 under discovered small field policy round 2016. Accordingly, Government vide G.O 6th read above, have granted PML to M/s PFH Oil and Gas Pvt. Ltd over an extent of 9.63 sq.km in S.Nos. 282,283,284,325,326,327 and 328 of Achanta village for a period of 20 years.

5. In the e-file 7th read above, the Director of Mines and Geology, A.P has recommended that the Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) be granted for crude oil and natural gas for entire applied area i.e., 14.10 sq.km of 1B-KG On-land Achanta in West Godavari District in favour of M/s ONGC Limited from 28.11.2008 to 13.04.2017 i.e up to the date of consent given by the M/s. ONGC for Transfer or grant of PML to M/s PFH oil & Gas Pvt Ltd and an extent of 4.47 sq.km be considered for the balance period i.e., up to 27.11.2028 duly excluding an extent of 9.63 sq.km which was already granted to M/s PFH Oil and Gas Pvt Ltd out of 14.10 sq.km.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby grant Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) for crude oil and natural gas over an extent of 14.10 sq.km of 1B-KG On-land Achanta in West Godavari District in favour of M/s ONGC Limited from 28.11.2008 to 13.04.2017 i.e up to the date of consent given by the M/s. ONGC based on which orders were issued vide GO 6th read above, for transfer and grant of PML to M/s PFH Oil and Gas Pvt Ltd for an extent of 9.63 sq.km. Accordingly, Grant is also accorded for the remaining extent of 4.47 sq.km for the balance period i.e., up to 27.11.2028 under Rule 5(1)(ii) of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959, subject to satisfaction of all other terms and conditions laid down under the Oil Fields (Regulation & Development) Act, 1948 and Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959 and also standing instructions and guidelines issued by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, GoI from time to time

7. This Grant is liable for cancellation, if it is found at later date that it was grossly inequitable or was made under a mistake of fact or owing to misrepresentation or fraud in excess of authority.

8. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., shall take

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necessary further action after satisfying himself that the grantee fulfills all the required provisions of the amended Act & Rules and takes up the CSR activities as per the guidelines of Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
M/s ONGC Ltd., Krishna Godavari Project, Base Complex, Lalacheruvu, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District, A.P.(RPAD)
The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Ibrahimpatnam, NTR District.
Copy to:
The Deputy Director of Mines & Geology, Kakinada.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Rajahmundry.
The District Collector, East Godavari District.
The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi - 110001.
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001.
The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkand.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
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//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

P. Ramohan
SECTION OFFICER